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# The Flaming Sword

*"And He placed at the East of the garden of Eden cherubim and a Flaming Sword, which turned every way to keep the Way of the Tree of Life."*

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## The Science of Mental Therapeutics.

### Part V.

**Pneumic and Psychic Phenomena Proceed from a Physical Basis; Function Cannot Exceed Organism; Divine and Satanic Healing Differentiated.**

OUR READERS are more or less familiar with the specific characteristic of the *gymnotus electricus*, which is capable of discharging electricity to a distance of many feet from its body. Some of these eels are powerful enough to kill either a man or a horse, with the shock of their magneto-electric batteries. The natives of some countries where they abound are in the habit of driving horses into the water occupied by the eels, to receive the discharges which they derive in rapid succession, until, for the time, the force is exhausted, when the eels are easily captured for food. Here is another exhibition of transmission of energy, from which the factor of "suggestion" is eliminated and that of the flow of energy is verified. Electrical phenomena through physical contact with water which the fish occupies, are manifest at the distance of many feet; and by mechanical contrivance the energy may be conducted for miles, at the extremity of which phenomena are induced.

Shall we say that the eel has a subconscious mind, and that this mind is capable of an existence independent of the physical organism in which the energy is generated? Yet this is precisely the attitude of Hudson and the advocates of the "subjective mind" theory. We would accept the testimony of the Lord in preference to that of Hudson. "I perceive that virtue [dunamis] is gone out of me." The eel discharged his virtue, not necessarily by a voluntary consciousness, nor by any principle of "suggestion" operating on the

horse, but by virtue of the fact that the eel possessed an anatomical structure and a physiological function to correspond, which involuntarily generated and husbanded a magnetic force. The horse was negative to the reservoir of energy, and the force flowed over from the eel to the animal in the discharge of the energy. The principle is the same as that involved in the Leyden jar.

The difference between the discharge of animal electricity and the change which took place when John transmitted his pneumatic power to the Messiah (the Lord Jesus), resides in the fact that in the higher sphere of pneumatic action, the fluid of discharge was the pure river of the water of life (a factor of which is to flow), clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and the Lamb, made up of thousands of spiritual entities.

The fact we desire to urge upon the students of Koreshanity, as a basis of future study, is that there never has been, is not, nor ever will be pneumatic (spirit) or psychic (soul) phenomena independently of a physical basis upon which to rest, and from which all phenomena proceed. Cause resides neither in spirit nor in matter alone, but in the unity of spirit (energy) and matter combined. The universe, as a composite and organic structure, contains a universal and composite pneumatic and psychic power, in which the phenomena are commensurate with the organic basis. The organism cannot exceed the function, nor can the function exceed



the form in its functional capacity and potency.

No reasonable mind can deny the fact that physical cures are effected, in many instances without the administration of material drugs; and the very fact that the learned quacks, calling themselves physicians, are compelled to importune for special legislation to sustain them in practice where their skill fails, is an assurance that the mental healers are the more successful.

The Lord healed the physically deranged. The devil can perform similar acts. This has been demonstrated wheresoever the Lord has been manifest in any age of the world. When the sons of God were manifest, the devil came also. All men are devils who are not regenerated. "I came forth from my Father; \* \* \* ye are of your father the devil." To those in process of regeneration, and who believe in the name of the Lord Jesus the Christ of God, gives he power to become the sons of God, offspring of Deity. Those who are opposed to this principle, conception, and purpose are the offspring of the devil, and are consequently devils. The Lord never did a thing in relation to men, that the devil did not invent and institute a commendable counterfeit; and to such an extent that he could almost deceive the very elect.

No reasonable mind can deny that the cures of all the phases of the modern imitators of the Lord and his

disciples, under whatsoever name, are subject to and produced by the same general application of principle, and are governed by the same law. Faith cure, mental and christian science, hypnotism, magnetic healing, etc., are merely phases of the same general manifestation of pneumatic and psychic force; and every phase of this general manifestation of phenomena so far, outside of Koreshan Science, is conducted under the impulse and inspiration of empiricism.

What is the attitude then, of Koreshanity regarding the application of mental or pneumo-psychic therapeutics? It is that *the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations*. The nations will be healed by the leaves of the Tree of Life. These leaves constitute the science of immortality; and there will be no genuine healing until the science of life is physiologically applied to the corruptibilities of human existence. The Tree of Life yields her fruit every month. We are now terminating the twelve months of the Zodiacal cycle, and rapidly approaching the hour when the science of life shall culminate in the fruition of immortality; and for this reason the old serpent, the devil, is getting in his best gait for the home stretch, in the substitution of the thousand and one counterfeits of primitive Christian power.

## The Scientific Language of Symbolism.

Principles of Mind Symbolized by Forms of Animal Life; The Wisdom of Commerce and Its Perversion; Evolution and Death of the Formidable Octopus.

WE HAVE iterated and reiterated the declaration, that the serpent is the symbol of commercial wisdom. Despite the fact of our emphasis of this truth, there are some who seem to think that our application of the symbolism is purely a figure of speech. This, however, is not the case. Every form of animal life is the symbol of some principle or principles of the mind, and as we have so often enunciated, the expression in outward manifestation of the animal creation is but the written language of the Word (God), who is the mental origin of animal existence. All animals paraphrased in the enunciated verbum of symbolic word or language, have a prior existence in the mentality of organic life in man; the highest exhibition being the perfection of the man developed into Godhood, as declaratively involved in the Son of God, the Lord Jesus the Christ.

The Lord was the Word, Logos (speech or language of Deity), God Almighty; and because in him dwelt the fulness of the Godhead bodily, embracing the aggregation of all the principles of the universe, he was named for the representative animals of exoteric creation. He was the Lion of the tribe of Judah, because he was the center of the power of commerce; the Lamb, because he

was the act of commerce, for through his death he impregnated the world—the church—with his own life; the Dove, because from him proceeded the Holy Spirit whence the act of commerce projected the process of regeneration (re-production), the office of the Holy Spirit; the Serpent, because by his wisdom he so controlled and regulated the commercial purpose as to define, in actual practice, the sex function through which it was exalted into the immaculate sphere of the higher regeneration, and to so determine the secular commercial life as to enforce the contrast between the hellish competitive commercial system and the communistic commercial system which he inaugurated.

The serpent principle is a principle of the mind, put forth in commercial act. It is the wisdom of commerce on all the planes of commercial function and activity. Commercial life possesses both a divine and a diabolic force. Diabolism in commerce is the perversion of divine commercial wisdom, hence there is the divine serpent and the old serpent,—the devil. Now, when we consider the statement, "The love of money is the root of all evil," we have the key to the solution of the problem of the original temptation. The serpent beguiled the



woman. The serpent is the wisdom of the money-loving principle, and the woman, in this broad sense, is the church. The religious life of the church is transformed from the communistic practice to that of competism, and the church sustains and honors the latter to the extent that today she is the prime support of that great system of corporate power, the contortions of which, in the prodigious trust combinations of the world, are now contributing to the serio-comic tendencies and propensities of the financial pirates.

We are rapidly approaching the vortex of the psychological force of the serpent, whose final act will be to pool the financial issues of the world into one gigantic combination, the force of which no legislative power can resist. This is the great beast rising out of the earth, with two horns like a *lamb*,—the commercial and legislative combination, but which speaks as a dragon (the serpent); the force of that language residing in the power of commerce, the money power, to rule the world. Under the influence of this beast, no man can buy or sell without the *mark* of the beast, either in his hand or in his forehead. There is no escape from this inevitable consummation of the tendency, purpose, and fruition of the trusts in that gigantic corporation which for a little time shall rule the world. In the coils of this boa-con-

strictor the people will writhe until, through the inherent force of self destruction, the competitive system stultifies itself. In the direct line of this particular thought, we notice one of the morning republican dailies, from which we quote:

The street railroad bill was jammed through [a republican legis'ature] committee this morning, and subsequently with lightning speed given first reading in the House. Similar tactics prevailed in the Senate. \* \* \* In the municipal corporations committee, from which the bill came to the House, and in the House the republican "machine" demanded and secured rush work for the measure. The committee gave it a recommendation to pass, although it was neither drawn by it, nor by the sub-committee which originally had it in hand.

The sum and substance of the measure, according to a Chicago republican daily, is to fasten upon the people of Chicago, by snap legislation, an eight-cent instead of a five-cent fare. It is the influence of the money power upon legislation. And why not, so long as the god of this world, endorsed and worshiped by the church, is the chief aim of the rich and the poor alike? We can only pray that the prophetic period may hasten to its close, for there is no escape from the fulfilment of divine prescience. We can, however, provide the Ark of deliverance, and into this Ark we invite all who wish to avoid the destructive influences of the coming catastrophe.

## Chicago's Relationship to the New Jerusalem of the Golden Age.

BERTHALDINE, MATRONA.

AS THE representative of a brain center in the anthropostic social ganglia, the geographical sphere of the New Jerusalem of the Golden Age, already located in southern Florida, at present corresponds to the glandula vitæ of the brain of the vidual mortal man. Chicago, sometimes called the dumping-ground of our national commercial activities, may be regarded as fairly representative of that mortal brain center called the conarium. The conarium is functionally the apex of the mortal organism, and the transmitter of the vitalizing energies of the brain to the glandula vitæ, the sphere of the reconstructive potencies of the entire organism. These two pre-eminent centers of mortal organic life, are absolutely interdependent in the exercise of their powers of renewing the organic structure upon which their own perpetuity depends.

Chicago certainly represents the apex of commercial activity; she is said to be "a hustler." If Chicago is legitimately called *she*, she is what we would call a masculoid woman, internally and dominantly male, like some of the supposedly feminine leaders of our modern deforms commonly called reforms. Chicago as a city might be titled after the femininity of diabolus,—“his Satanic Majesty.” It is the focalization of the univer-

sal Babylon, the climax of confusion, the crucible of the ultimate conglomerate which, passing through the fire and poured through the final retort, precipitates as the head of gold, to the Grand Man of the new and divine civilization.

Chicago is the granary of the world, the great seed disseminator. The seed is the vitos of the blood and nerve of animal life. When you look at Chicago, by the aid of a railroad map, she seems to sustain to the country at large, the relationship of the heart to the body. The red lines of traffic, indicating on land and water the directions of transmission and aggregation, suggest the circulation of blood and nerve fluids.

From the standpoint of modern Christendom's standard-bearers, Chicago is the most extraordinary product of nineteenth century civilization. Extremes meet in her;—as an aggregation of abominations she cannot be excelled. She is also unequalled as a bundle of possibilities, beyond the power of present language to express. Man's extremity is said to be God's opportunity; probably the Almighty does not neglect his opportunities. We speak reverentially when we say: He is sometimes a hustler. It is written: "I the Lord will hasten it in his time."



If the Almighty creates light out of darkness and causes all things to work together for good, then undoubtedly he has a Godlike purpose concerning Chicago, in relation to the New Jerusalem descending from God out of heaven. It must never be forgotten that the Almighty works in and through and by humanity, to execute his own good pleasure. When the interior or spiritual Deity would be manifest in natural aspect, it is written by inspiration from his prophetic Spirit: "Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me."

There is, in New Testament prophecy, a Holy Writ concerning the fulness of the Gentiles and the end of the Christian era, including the promise of a Sign, a Precursor, a Jonah to the life of this, the age of Pisces, an angel of death to *nun*—haveh, the life of that great fish that swallowed Jonah,—the age of the Almighty's mortal and sensual experiences. The fact that the fulness of the Gentiles is now culminating in America, is reflexed from the signs in the heavens and from every sphere of human organization.

The involved fulness and completion of any growth is its seed. The time of Gentile evolution or development being fulfilled, its involution, the Seed Man, is necessarily produced and projected as its apex, in exact fulfillment of Scripture prophecy. The Divinity that regulates both universal involution and evolution,—the science of universal law, that omniscient mentality which shapes all ends of being to delight in His own perpetuity, ultimates in the Seed Man who unites in himself the spirit of the Lion of the tribe of Judah, and the power of Joseph, the Shepherd and Stone of Israel, the science of the application of law to the uses of divine-natural life.

The involution of Gentile completion is the conarium

of the Grand Man, to be created in the image and likeness of God. Logically, he should be found operative in the apex of commercial activity. Logically, he must become recognized as the Seed Man, or the Sower and the Reaper of the universal economy; as the harvester of all past mental potency, and as the vitalizer of a future age. He is necessarily the disseminator of all those mental entities who have progressed and ascended to the seventh heaven of the divine mentality, and are matured to germinate in a waiting humanity for the production of a new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

Chicago is honored above all the cities of the world, by the presence in her midst of Elijah the prophet. The honor is appreciated by those alone who recognize the possessor of the keys of knowledge, by those to whom is given the scientific interpretation of the law and the prophets. The prophet sits in the midst of this whirlpool of chaos, as a refiner and purifier of the gathering sons of Levi, who will continue to assemble themselves together to make sacrifices for their own sins and the sins of this nation, that it may be sprinkled with the blood of the divine animal life of Deity, the science of life and immortality.

Chicago will become, to the new commercial center of divine origin, as the mouth of a great vortex, in its relation to this nation. Into this vortex will flow the energies of a divine commercial activity, to be drawn upon by the demands of the New Jerusalem to descend from God out of heaven, and be made manifest as the Sun City in that future center of world-wide commercial equity—Estero, Florida. There has the stake been driven to indicate the center of that temple from whose throne and altar conjoined will be sounded out to the confines of the universe the eternal gospel, that man perfected is Jehovah, and Jehovah is Deity supreme.

## Scientific View of the Reconciliation of God and Man.

PROF. O. F. L'AMOREAUX, A. M., PH. D.

To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him. \* \* \* For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us; having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace; and that he might reconcile both unto [Greek, into] God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby. \* \* \* For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell; and having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things [the generic gender including persons] unto [into] himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.

THE GREEK word rendered reconcile in these passages is *katallasso*, which means thoroughly changed. The root of the word is *allos*, which means another, and the prefix *kata*, down through, or thor-

oughly. The word then means to make whatever is the object of it, down through, or thoroughly another than what it is. If any one is an enemy, to make him other than what he is may be to make him a friend; so there is a secondary and subordinate meaning of the word to this effect. When, therefore, the word is used, we must determine from the context whether the primary or secondary signification is intended.

We are told that "God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself." The process of such reconciliation is indicated by these words: "For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him," that is, by him. Christ, as God's seed, which the Scriptures call him, if so be that at the time of seed sowing in the beginning of the Christian age, that seed was sown in us, fell into our sinful natures, and forming conjunction with them, as the seed forms conjunction with the soil, became sin



in us in order that we, now, at the time of harvest, which Jesus said would come in the end of the same age, "might be made the righteousness of God in him"—by him. If we are made the righteousness of God, we must be as right as God; that is, having had our origin in God by the implantation of the divine seed in the beginning of the age, then in the harvest, in the end of it, we shall find our destiny in Divinity—being reconciled to God, that is, changed through into God. The result is, of course, peace with God. "For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us; having abolished in his flesh"—by his flesh—the divine seed, "the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself [by himself], of twain one new man, so making peace." The only way, then, to be reconciled to God is to have the two, Jesus Christ, and mortal man, the twain, made into "one new man, so making peace."

As the enmity between the soil and the seed wheat

can only be slain by planting the wheat in the soil, and its impregnating the soil with its own life force, thus forming conjunction with it, and making one body out of the two, so it is only by the "cross"—crossing the divine seed, which is Christ, with its soil, the sinful humanity—that the enmity between the two can be slain. Any other reconciling of God and man is illusory and vain. The Scripture is very explicit, and declares that the result of that planting of the divine seed in us, as of all planting of seed in its soil, will be, not two bodies, but one; and we will be that body—biune, two in one, as Jesus the seed was. Thus the divine will be grafted upon the natural seedling, human stock, as the higher quality of apple is grafted upon the sour and worthless seedling stock. This is the grafting of which Jesus spake. Without it humanity will always remain crabbed and selfish as at present. With the ripened fruit of it, now at hand in the resurrection of the dead, the prayer that Jesus taught us to pray will be answered, and the kingdom of heaven will be established in earth.

## In the Editorial Perspective.

THE EDITOR.

THE EVIDENCES that humanity is about to enter upon a new era, are becoming manifest in all the fields of research and investigation. We are approaching the end of a long cycle of human experience, and are nearing the climax of all ages. Never before in all the history of the world, has there been such facilities for instant and constant communication of all peoples of the world as there are today. The barriers are breaking down, and the avenues are opening for humanity to become one great organic world of life. The amalgamation of all races of the world is a subject under consideration by Prof. W. J. McGee, of the United States Ethnological Bureau. He has announced the result of his investigations in the following conclusions: "That there will some day be a universal race type is as inevitable as the future growth of the American people. One of the consequences of this unification of manhood will be one great universal government. Today, we see nothing other than the blending of tribes. In no case do we see the upbuilding of new and distinct tribes. We have never seen any increasing color distinction, but always the elimination of color characteristics. White men are not growing whiter, black men blacker, red men redder, nor yellow men more yellow. Reds, blacks, and yellows are diminishing in relative abundance, and the whites are increasing in number." The Professor gives an instance of the amalgamation of all bloods—the people of California, and regards them as physically superior to any other people of America; every blood under the sun is represented in the people of California. Of course, modern ethnological investigations are superficial. The creation of the new race is a part of the Koreshan work of the world's re-formation. The perfect race will not come except through the application of the laws of circumcision, and special Messianic function. The true racial blending must be as scientific as the amalgamation of alchemical substances; and no two substances can be united without the introduction of a third element as the mediator of the metamorphosis. The present tendency to amalgamation is only indicative of the fact that the time is approaching when the

new race will appear, not as a result of the present methods or tendencies, but through the application of scientific law, which will guide the great Ethnologist in the selection of racial elements for the highest possible product of the bloods of the world.

That the reader may form some idea of the magnitude of the stupendous system of propaganda of fallacy, we take a glance at the publications of the world. The annual aggregate circulation of all the papers of the world is calculated to be 12,000,000,000 copies,—eight times as many copies of papers as there are inhabitants in the earth. The entire annual issue of periodicals would cover 10,450 square miles of the earth's surface; it is printed on 781,250 tons of paper. If printed by a single press, turning out one copy per second, day and night, it would require over 380 years; and if read by one man, giving five minutes to each paper, it would require more than 100,000 years to complete the work of perusal. These publications placed one copy above another, would make a column over 500 miles in height. Year after year, this mass of matter goes out to the world, laden with fallacy in every conceivable line of thought; add to the periodicals the number of pages of the books now in existence, and the result is almost overwhelming. The audacity of THE FLAMING SWORD in its opposition to all this mass of the world's thought, may be appreciated; it is the audacity of one man, the Founder of Koreshanity, in the face of storms of fallacy,—the audacity of Truth against the world!

The modern church is puzzled concerning the mystery of the Holy Spirit which was shed upon the primitive Christian church, a powerful electric force from the central dynamo. What it really was, is a question which the clergyman does not attempt to answer. The Founder of Koreshanity has discovered what the Holy Spirit was, and has declared what the substances were which composed it: Oxygen, hydrogen, nitrogen, carbon, sulphur, phosphorus, flourine, chlorine, sodium, calcium, etc.,



reduced to energy. How does he know this? Through analysis of the substances of the human structure. Jesus was a man, and when he went out of the natural world he did so by a process of translation, transmutation, or combustion of material substances. The energy resulting was the substance of the Holy Spirit, the substances of immortal flesh and blood, the living bread, the vital force of the Almighty, with which the church was charged. It is a simple problem in alchemy, susceptible of scientific analysis and demonstration.

While the factions of reform have been quarreling over methods of co-operation, the great business concerns of America have monopolized the idea and have outstripped the labor combines a million to one! The present year begins with one of the most remarkable phases of the economic situation in the history of the world. Hundreds of lines of business are combining—forming gigantic trusts; it is an effort on the part of the millionaire to control the markets of the world for every class of products of industry and ingenuity; it is an effort to cut down the margin of profits on all materials of use throughout the entire world, of all producers and dealers except the trusts, and thereby render competition of small concerns impossible. The combines constitute a definite and powerful system of utilizing the energies of millions with the least possible expenditures and the largest returns. The modern monopoly is co-operation on the most extensive scale, and demonstrated to be successful in the giant concerns of the civilized world.

Religious differences, for which men have been burned at the stake, are carefully laid aside in the great English federation of the evangelical churches. The terrible lion of Calvinism is made to lie down beside the Methodist lamb. A new catechism and creed have been devised, not with any idea of stating the truth, but expressing such doctrines as are held in common by the great denominations. This is one of the most remarkable religious compromises of the nineteenth century, a movement toward the union of all churches, even all the popular religions of the world. The time is rapidly approaching when the religions of the world will agree on the most fundamental fact of all modern theology; and that fundamental fact is that they do not know anything about God; and the federation will be frank in saying so. The world's parliament of all religions will fix the limit of concessions, and focalize the creeds on the one admission of ignorance of the character of the Creator of the universe.

The possibility of surveying a rectiline a number of miles in length, is denied by the modern scientist since it has actually been accomplished and the results found to overthrow the Copernican astronomy. A little while ago, a line was surveyed by a leveling process three times across the peninsula of Florida, for the purpose of ascertaining the relative levels of the Atlantic Ocean and the Gulf of Mexico. The difference was found to be about twelve inches by each survey. The liability to error in the adjustments of the levels for each mile was as great as in the adjustment of the mechanical sections of the Koreshan Geodetic Apparatus; and the possibilities of approximate accuracy were equal in both processes. To deny the possibility of accuracy in *our* survey, would be to set aside possible accuracy in all geodetic and mechanical apparatus the world over.

Insanity, poverty, and crime are sweeping the civilized world! Mental wrecks are increasing with alarming rapidity. The so called enlightenment of the nineteenth century is not contributing to the health, wealth, and happiness of humanity; it is, rather, cursing millions. In the United States alone there are over 200,000 persons insane; an equal number are in almshouses, and nearly 100,000 are in jails; and one half of the in-

habitants of the great republic are considered poor. The world is *growing worse* from year to year—the facts of daily observation and statistics prove it. Fallacy and sensualism continue the work of devastating and wrecking the human temple and destroying the treasures of life and mind. The world is nearing the final convulsions of the dispensation, the inevitable birth throes of the New World!

The end of the old astronomy is at hand; Prof. Young, the astronomer, says in *Harper's Magazine* for February, that "It is not to be disguised that some anxiety is felt lest it should be found that we are already near the limit of accuracy in our astronomical prediction—actually approaching the boundary which cannot possibly be surpassed." He writes concerning the pending problems of astronomy, the new shifting of the earth's axis, and how it conflicts with accepted conclusions; and as regards the moon, he says: "The theory of her motions has not as yet, by any means, reached finality." Modern astronomy has overreached itself in attempting to solve the problems of the stars before ascertaining the nature of our silvery neighbor,—aye, of the earth itself!

Which is the greatest maze, Koreshanity in its completeness as a system of the truth of the universe, or the chaos of modern theories of religion, science, and reform? The thousands of fragmentary ideas which were never intended to fit in one harmonious system of human thought, will never save the world from its corruptions and depravities. Man is lost—overwhelmed with discordant elements, in his attempt to search for truth in all the mass of rubbish that the modern mental world contains; his horizon is necessarily limited, if he confines himself to one infinitesimal sphere of some sect or movement. Koreshanity is the center of the world's advanced thought, and involves the most progressive entities of all mental spheres of the world. It is the center of mental circumspection of the entire universe.

The Golden Rule! A writer states that the only thing necessary for a man to know, in the work of reforming the world, is the Golden Rule. It looks simple, if you do not stop to think what is involved in it. Jesus was the summing up of all law, which is made to depend upon two fundamental principles of human existence and relations: That a man must worship the Lord Christ with all his energies, and love his neighbor as himself. Yes, the great fundamental Golden Rule is all that he needs to know; but carried into every line to which it is applicable, it embraces *all* there is to be known, in heaven or in earth. The application of it requires all the powers of the Almighty; and the man who successfully applies the Golden Rule is God!

The Church boasts of its greatest success in the so called civilized world. The greatest nations of the world today are called Christian nations; yet in these great nations the most aggravated forms of despotism,—the most obvious misrule and oppression, the most abject slavery, the greatest percentage of crime, the most insanity and poverty, exist. The most "enlightened" nation is the land of the millionaire, corporations, and trusts; the land of corrupt cities and government, and the most manifest inhumanity and sensualism. The condition of the *Christian* nations of the nineteenth century is absolutely unparalleled in all the history of the world; and if the church desires full credit for it, she is welcome to it!

The modern "sciences" are saturated with the modern church idea—that at sometime in the past the universe began to exist; astronomers, geologists, anthropologists, and physicists, attempt to account for universal phenomena and existence on



the basis of the hypothesis that billions of years ago there was no universe! The idea that at one time man did not exist, enters into all fallacies of modern thought; we hear it in the pulpit, see it in the newspapers, and read it in modern literature. What a stupendous lot of foolishness the idea has brought forth! How absurd the basis of modern thought when viewed in the light of the fact that the universe and man are co-eternal!

A little more corruption infused into a bad egg would break the shell; and for that reason Gen. Kitchener, commander of the English forces in Abyssinia, discourages the infusing of modern Christian ideas into the mind of the Soudanese. He raises the question whether the Christian missionaries do not exert a harmful influence upon the natives; they breed discontent and stir up insurrections. Early in the present century, the English government endeavored to prohibit missionaries from working in India; it was then said that it would be better for a shipload of devils to come to India than a single missionary!

There is current in the world a ridiculous conception of what science is. An exchange asks: "What are science and progress but a continuous searching for truth, proving all things and holding fast to that which is good?" Genuine science is the knowledge of truth already searched for and discovered; and having proved all things, it consistently holds to that which is good. The only search that science has to make, is the search for minds receptive to it. "Science" that is still searching for truth is not science but ignorance; science that is looking for itself is lost. Koreshan Science has found itself.

A church book advises the communicants that "instead of spending money for flowers and carriages [for funerals], how much better it would be to have prayers and masses offered, and alms given to the poor, for the solace of the deceased." Better for the priest, of course; fees for reading Latin and burning candles for the comfort of souls in purgatory, constitute a source of church revenue. Besides, carriages are cheap in purgatory, while priests are scarce there; the priests go direct to the other place, in great haste to meet old friends!

They want to abolish the custom of "swearing people on the Bible," especially the custom of kissing the book, in New York. It has been discovered at this late date that it does no good; that the witnesses will lie just as easily and persistently after kissing the Bible as before! Then, there are many people who are so constitutionally weak that they cannot resist the microbes which endeavor to persuade them to be sick. It is better to get the microbes elsewhere than off the covers of the Bible in the modern court room.

Ingersoll attempts to excuse modern science for its many blunders, on the ground that it grew out of the church and was influenced by the narrowness of the theologian. Good; that is exactly what we wanted him to say. It is true; modern astronomy originated in the dark ages; it was the result of an unwholesome mental atmosphere which pervaded the world during the reign of the church; and other phases of modern thought conform to its infinity. Yet Ingersoll clings to the products of mediæval ignorance!

Some reformers desire all factions of reform to lay aside their little differences and unite on some common ground for a great movement, for the purpose of placing a bright patch on the old order of things. Suppose the proposition is made to Truth,—do you suppose Truth would join in such a combine and agree to keep silent on many points, while the other factions are working in fallacy? Would Truth make such a proposition? Never!

Spain is glad that America has become involved in war with the Filipinos, and predicts a long, tedious, and expensive fight that will bring no beneficial returns. Spain laughs now, and says that America is only receiving punishment for her barbarous treatment of Spain. Perhaps; but let the Spaniard tell us for what Spain was being punished, when ruling the Filipinos in despotism and waging war to subdue the insurgents?

Six or eight great Chicago pulpit orators are called by the New England gods at higher salaries. If these clerical gentlemen are of any value in the world, it would be manifest in the moral scale of the East, and in a corresponding lowering of the religious temperature in the Chicago pews; but it will require some delicate instruments to detect the difference.

The world is agnostic; in conduct it is paradoxical. It accepts fallacy without proof, and rejects the truth when it is demonstrated. It hates the man who exposes its ignorance, and murders him if he claims to know. The teacher of truth of every age is a martyr; he is sent to teach devils how to get out of hell, and they endeavor to destroy him.

How much the world misses the Koreshan System! Why; gone, failed? No; neither gone nor failed; still upon a solid foundation, and moving with irresistible force in the world. We mean that the world misses us because, like the Spaniards firing at American vessels, the spent shells of fallacy cannot hit us; they are missiles!

Truth is positive, and puts forth positive claims of its absoluteness. Knowledge does not admit that it may be fallacy. Modern fragmented systems of religion, science, and reform, founded upon assumptions, claim only probability. Koreshan Universology is positive truth, and demonstrates its premise.

The republican argument, that the highest wages to skilled workmen must come through protection of industries, is refuted by the simple fact that the skilled workmen in free trade England get more pay for less actual work than any other skilled laborers in the world.

In the tilt of orthodoxy with infidelity, on the theological seesaw, the church presumes to possess the greatest weight. We admit it; the heaviest end always goes down,—and Babylon is falling!

All thought is generated in material cells of the brain; there is no "all thought" apart from matter.

In the disputes between the materialists and the spiritualists, the *mind* is left out of the question entirely.

The weapons of papacy are not formidable; the Catholic church fires Roman candles at the masses!

If some men were honest with themselves, they would discover that they are dishonest.

Death and hell are grave questions, which the clergyman fails to solve at funerals.

The Almighty has the power of life, but the devil has the power of death.

The oculist has his eye-deals, but he cannot make the crystal see.

The god of the modern world is worth his weight in gold!

In the mind of the world the Almighty is a lost cause.

The gigantic trusts are hatching out of great sells.

The negative world is positively bad.

Meteors are sky-rockets.



# Editorial Discussions, Chats, and Correspondence.

THE EDITOR.

## Promiscuous Questions Answered.

(1) How old was the Virgin Mary when she conceived?

(2) During the flood, did it rain 40 days and nights over the entire universe?

(3) What is the cause of lightning and thunder, and of what is lightning composed? Also, what is the cause of thunder-storms being heavier in some places than they are in others; and why do not thunder-storms occur in southern California, where it is very hot during the summer months?

(4) In California, from the top of Wilson's Peak, an elevation of 6,000 feet above sea level, the Catalina Islands can be plainly seen with the naked eye at a distance of 70 miles, but they are invisible from its base. Now, this seems rather absurd on the concave theory; although I have no reason to object, I would like to know why the islands cannot be seen from the base of the mountain?

(5) When the solar and lunar spheres unite, will the winters be as cold, and will the summers be the same as they are now?—E. C. D., Cedar Lane, Pa.

(1) Mary virginally conceived at the very first period of possible conception,—at the time of the maturity of the perfect ovum. The conception was the result of pneumatic forces transmitted from the mind of Joseph to the mind of Mary at the time of Mary's betrothal. Ancient betrothals occurred when the maidens arrived at the time of possible maternity. Apocryphal writings say Mary was fourteen at the time of the immaculate conception.

(2) The Bible record of the flood is in the language of scientific symbolism; it does not refer to the physical world, but to the corresponding anthropostic or human world. The flood was the inundation of the world with fallacy. The ark was the new church, and Noah was the Messiah. Floods and cataclysms occur in the physical world, however, in certain cycles; but a single flood is never universal.

(3) Lightning is the phenomenon of electrical discharges from cloud to cloud, or from clouds to the earth; and thunder is the report of the discharge. A cloud is the result of a vortex of the energies of oxygen and hydrogen; in storm clouds, negative and positive electricities are polarized; when the charges rise high enough the discharges take place. Ordinarily, the electricity of the atmosphere is positive; but in cloudy weather the electrical state of the atmosphere is unstable and changes from positive to negative and back again. If the changes are very swift, a thunder-storm results. Thunder-storms occur where there is great humidity of the atmosphere; these conditions are local in the temperate zones, and general in the

torrid zone. In some parts of the world it rains and thunders every day; in the Sahara desert it neither rains nor thunders. Between the two extremes there are many degrees of difference, dependent upon the character of the soil and the substances beneath the surface, the relations of localities to mountain ranges, cultivated districts, and forests.

(4) The horizon is the vanishing point of the vertical space between the eye of the observer and the surface of the earth or water. The vanishing point or water horizon from the summit of Wilson's Peak is about 90 miles distant; if the base is 1,000 feet above sea level, the horizon could be only about 40 miles distant, considerably short of 70 miles, the distance to the Catalina Islands. The appearance of the horizon is a simple problem in perspective foreshortening, applied to the great arc of the earth's *concave* curvature, which would place the islands in question so far beyond the horizon of the lower view as to render them entirely invisible to the naked eye. Please study carefully, "Optical Factors and Illusions," and matter on pages 56 to 63, of the CELLULAR COSMOGONY.

(5) When the ecliptic coincides with the equator in the coming cataclysm and revolution, an annulus of light, the solar zone, will appear, covering the entire circumference of the equator. A sun will be located in the zenith of the north pole, and a corresponding one at the south pole. The temperature will be very nearly uniform all over the world, and the extremes of heat and cold will not occur. It will be universal day, and practically continuous summer. The slight variations will correspond to our seasons.

## A Doctor Writes Concerning Himself.

EDITOR FLAMING SWORD:—If any one had any doubt that there is a fool born every minute, your paper ought to convince him if he is not past convincing. It is wonderful what tangents the human mind is capable of taking. When egotism and superstition join forces it seems there is no height of absurdity nor depth of vacuity that they are not equal to. Keep right on, my friend! Such a mind as yours will do less harm in propagating a wholly insane than a half insane theory. You may have struck a fool in many things, but not a fool that God has damned. Such a one alone could be led to believe in KORESH.

While thanking you for the copy of THE FLAMING SWORD at hand, let me beg of you never to send me another. It is not pleasant to me to be reminded of the depths of

faulty and wrong reasoning to which the human mind may descend. But I am wasting my energies to no purpose. I believe there is no record where one ever succeeded in convincing a lunatic of the fallacy of his conclusions; nor will there ever be such a case. A lunatic is one who is unable to draw correct conclusions from demonstrated facts. He sees things awry, but is certain that he sees them correctly. Until he is willing to hold his own prepossession in abeyance, and review and re-investigate the whole matter, he will continue a hopeless case. It is an overpowering egotism that at first turns him away, and so long as he continues to trust it his case is hopeless. But it is most uncanny to think what fools we mortals may become. If I thought that a child of mine would or could ever come to such a fate, it would be a pleasure to me to see him end his days before such possibility arrived:—DR. VANDERBURG, N. Y.

The above is intended for us, but it is a boomerang, and returns to him who threw it. It is as insulting to our readers as it is to us, and all our friends can draw correct conclusions concerning its author. Thousands of people are able to comprehend and respect the Koreshan System of Science; and we welcome all such minds—we are gathering them out from the world at large. In accepting any part of the Koreshan System, minds distinguish themselves as being of very different quality and character from those who repudiate it, and cast upon its promulgators such reflections as the above.

It is one of the constant efforts of THE FLAMING SWORD to make people see the truth of the old saying, that a fool is born every minute, and we are glad the doctor is convinced; for once he has found a Journal that tells the truth about humanity—especially the humanity to which *he* belongs. We have been laboring for years to prove what remarkable tangents the human mind has taken—to what extent the world has joined superstition and egotism in the evolution of all modern fallacies in their absurdity and emptiness. Our medical friend seems to be an exception in one respect; but it has been our strong impression that the *whole world is damned*, in death and hell. We admit that only the utterly lost can accept the Koreshan System; the truth is for the benefit of such people; only the sick need a physician. If the doctor is *not* among the damned, we congratulate him; he does not need the truth, and cannot get it!

However, he is subject to falling into the depths of "faulty and wrong reasoning," and as it is such a pain to him to be reminded of his faults, we will obey the injunction never to send him another reminder. It has burned him somewhere, and he is afraid of it!



For the reasons suggested above, concerning the conversion of the class of minds not wholly sound and perfect, we desist from further attempt to change the mind of the writer of the above kind and gentlemanly (?) missive. We are aware that he states the truth. From appearances, we judge that the doctor is unwilling to "review and reinvestigate the whole matter;" and according to his own words, we may consider his case hopeless. We have met such before; scores have written us. We publish this production as a demonstration of the fact that our cutting replies in THE FLAMING SWORD are justified. As a rule, we ignore such letters, but occasionally we refer to them for diversion!

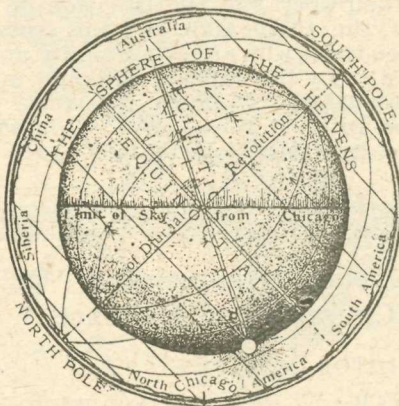
#### The Orbit of the Moon.

Can you explain why the moon has a northern and southern declination every 29 days? I have been an observer of this motion for over 30 years, and I cannot harmonize it with your declaration that the earth does not revolve in 24 hours, but that the planets and moon revolve inside the hollow globe; and you say that the moon is nothing more than a reflection from the earth. I would like to have it explained in THE FLAMING SWORD, why the moon makes this oscillation north and south. I have been puzzling my brain for some time on the subject, and cannot reach a conclusion.—E. G. D., Ashmont, O.

The orbit of the visible moon is in the Zodiac of the physical heavens, the middle of which cuts the equator at an angle of  $23\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . The lunar period is about 29 days; its motion is eastward near the ecliptic, about  $13^{\circ}$  per day. During the 29 days necessary to complete its synodic revolution in the heavens, it follows practically the same course as the sun follows in 365 days. This may be made clear by a careful study of the diagrams on the Sixteenth Page of THE FLAMING SWORD in connection with these suggestions. At one point of its orbit it is as far north as the tropic of Cancer, and at another point it is as far south as the tropic of Capricorn. It has an apparent oscillation north and south, from the fact of its following a distinct path at an angle to the equator and parallels of latitude.

The moon is a reflex of the influence of the sun upon the metallic strata of the universe; it is a projection from the shell of the earth through the action of levic or ascending energies, forming a great levic zone in the zenith of the tropical regions in the earth. The moon is not a direct reflection of sunlight from the earth, but an indirect reflection by a storage process, of the sun's energies in their activities and transformations in the metallic shells. The visible moon is a picture of the outermost mineral stratum of the earth, modified by the X-ray impressions of all the ma-

terial substances lying above the mineral stratum. The moon is not merely a picture, but a materialized focus of energies which involve the impressions of the earth. The moon has the appearance of being a chalky sphere with a rough surface, with different shades of darkness. It



Orbit of Moon is near the Ecliptic in the rotating Heavens; Luna is both north and south of the Equator in one Lunation of 29 days.

is in reality such a body, a materialized picture of the chalky strata and the superimposed geologic mass. The motion of the moon is the result of powerful magnetic impulses generated in the contraction and expansion of the earth's shell.

#### German-English Dictionary.

I have been a reader of THE SWORD since October last, and I find many words which I am unable to translate; so I wish to ask you which is the best German-English dictionary, and where it can be obtained. Please answer in THE SWORD.—CHAS. B., Benicia, Cal.

We are glad to know you are desirous of getting the exact meaning of expressions in THE FLAMING SWORD. If all our friends would take the trouble to look up the words they cannot understand, it would be an education in itself. A dictionary is a safe guide to the meaning of the words we choose to convey exact and scientific thoughts in the Koreshan propaganda. Have at hand a good dictionary. For the study of the English language, the Standard Dictionary, published by Messrs. Funk & Wagnalls, New York City, is undoubtedly the very best.

We think our German friends would be pleased with Cassell's German Dictionary, containing 1112 pages, in good binding, \$1.50. The first part is German-English, the second part, English-German. Also The New Dictionary of the German and English Languages, by Carl Zahner, \$1.25. The plan is a little different from Cassell's, but perhaps it contains as many words and definitions. These German-English works will be sent post-paid, by Fleming H. Revell, 63 Washington street, Chicago, Ill., on receipt of prices named.

#### Koreshanity in Australia.

A Journalist Sees the Hand and Skill of a Brilliant Scholar and Scientist in the Koreshan Scientific Religion.

During the present century, quite a number of persons have announced themselves as specially inspired messengers of God, authorized to establish new or reformed religions. Amongst these may be mentioned John Wrope, Joseph Smith, Miller, Starr, Luke Harris, Newbrough, Jezreel, and several others. Some of these have declared that they were favored with a personal visit from the Savior, but none have ventured to claim to be the Messiah himself.

Nearly thirty years ago, Dr. Cyrus R. Teed, of New York, America, somewhat startled the world by announcing that he was in very truth, the Messenger of the Covenant, the expected Messiah. During the long years that have since passed away, Dr. Teed has repeated the same claim and gathered around him many devoted disciples, and established on a firm basis a new religion which he calls Koreshanity. He has also built, or is building, a large city in Florida which is called the New Jerusalem, to which his followers are gathering; and latest advices from America assure us that Koreshanity is spreading with some rapidity, and its numerous adherents revere Dr. Teed as the founder of the scientific religion of the Golden Age.

Dr. Cyrus R. Teed is the son of Mr. Jesse Teed, and was born in 1839, just about the time of the great Advent movement, when so many thousands of devout people were expecting the reappearance of the Messiah. His mission began in 1870, when he was about 30 years of age, and his work has been carried on with much energy and ability ever since. He calls himself Koresh, which is a Hebrew equivalent for Cyrus, his disciples are known as Koreshans, and the complete system of scientific religion which Doctor Teed has formulated is known as Koreshanity. It has been very common in certain circles to represent Dr. Teed as a silly, ignorant fanatic. All this he certainly is not. He is undoubtedly a brilliant scholar, an able writer, and a sincere and devout religionist. No one can read a dozen pages of his many writings without detecting the hand and skill of an educated man and a gifted author. Dr. Teed's knowledge of the Scriptures is profound, and his reverence for the Holy Bible unequaled by any modern theologian. Amongst the Koreshans are many distinguished persons, including Victoria Gratia, Professor U. G. Morrow, Prof. O. F. L'Amoreaux, Ph. D., the Rev. E. M. Castle, the Rev. B. S. Boomer, Lucie P. Borden, and many others too numerous to particularize, but certainly intelligent men and women who do not appear to belong to a class of individuals likely to be led astray by a vulgar impostor.

The literature of the Koreshans is somewhat extensive, and includes a number of



books, pamphlets, tracts, and periodicals, all of which are published at a low price, and appear to enjoy an enormous circulation.

The principal journal issued by the Koreshans is a large 16-page weekly newspaper called THE FLAMING SWORD, which is published in Chicago every Friday, and is now in its 13th volume. It is sold for a dollar a year, which must be regarded as remarkably cheap for a volume of over 800 large pages of certainly interesting and instructive reading matter. Other periodicals that are or have been published are THE GUIDING STAR, THE PLOWSHARE AND PRUNING HOOK, and THE SALVATOR AND SCIENTIST.

It is somewhat difficult to give details of the teachings of Dr. Teed and the Koreshans. They accept the plenary inspiration of the Scriptures, and assert that Koreshanity is a revival of primitive Christianity. The unique feature of the Koreshan Theology is that God in his perfected state is man; the Almighty reached his perfection and unity 1900 years ago, in the manhood of Jesus, the divine flesh and Word. Hence, Koreshanity undertakes to exalt Jesus to the Godhood. The System teaches that man is the habitation and permanent dwelling place of Deity, and that the spiritual worlds are in man. In Jesus dwelt all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. He and his Father were one, and hence the triune principles were in Him—the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. He was also both male and female, being the bridegroom possessing the bride, and because of this fact He was immortal and became the parent of immortal life, a condition yet to be attained by the human race. The Koreshans believe in reincarnation, teach and practice celibacy, but admit married persons as members, advocate the universal salvation of all mankind in the future, and believe the Golden Age will be ushered in within the not very distant future. Koreshans practice communism and co-operative life, and are strongly opposed to the competitive system.

Perhaps, however, (to some at any rate) the most remarkable feature of Koreshanity is its teachings regarding cosmogony and astronomy. Dr. Teed and his numerous followers assert that the whole universe is "within" the earth, and that we live "inside" the globe on its concave surface, and that the earth contains "within itself" the whole of the solar system. This peculiar theory is not only supported by scientific arguments, but has been demonstrated by actual experiments. At Naples, in Florida, U. S. A., some time ago a series of most elaborate experiments were made by competent scientists, and it was then demonstrated beyond the possibility of contradiction, that the surface of the water of the ocean is concave, and not convex as is generally supposed. These experiments attracted considerable attention in America, and some of the leading newspapers published long illustrated articles about the matter. The Koreshans have also published a 200-page volume with numerous illustrations and diagrams, and now they boldly challenge the whole scientific world to disprove the truth of their theory. Up to latest dates no prominent

scientist has been willing to enter the lists, and so—in their opinion at least—the Koreshans declare that they have triumphantly demonstrated the truth of their teachings.

It may as well be admitted once for all that a careful study of Dr. Teed's religious-scientific system reveals very many excellencies. Koreshanity is certainly complete and profound in all its synthetical details, and is well worthy of the attention of the scholar, the theologian, and the student, and even those who are attracted by novelties and enjoy the curious will find much in Koreshanity to amuse, instruct, and perhaps interest them.—*The Wedderburn Express*, Australia, Jan. 13, 1899.

### Sincere Appreciation of Courage and Patience.

EDITOR SWORD:—

Allow me to congratulate you upon your excellent article in a recent SWORD, "Is The Universe Large or Small?"

Your answers to correspondents also, are increasingly interesting and instructive. To my mind they constitute one of the strongest and most valuable features of the paper.

I feel sure that I am but expressing the general sentiment of your readers in my sincere appreciation of your earnest and enthusiastic articles. Disinterested labor in behalf of humanity requires a large capital stock of courage and patience. I am glad there is no danger of yours being exhausted.

Yours for the Truth,  
LUCIE PAGE BORDEN,  
New Hampshire.

### As Others See Us.

A Chicago Journal Admits that the Facts  
Seem to Prove the Earth's Concavity.

"THE CELLULAR COSMOGONY," issued by the Guiding Star Publishing House, 6308 Wentworth Ave., Chicago, is designed to break to the public the facts determined by the Geodetic Surveys carried on at Naples, Florida, under the direction of Professor U. G. Morrow, which facts are supposed to prove beyond dispute the concavity of the surface of the earth, thereby establishing the theory of Koreshanity and making the Copernican system of astronomy become at once an absurdity. Professor Morrow is doing a good work in testing the foundations on which we stand, and any new facts which can be maintained scientifically are worthy of careful attention. We admit that the details of the experiments seem to prove his case so far as it is susceptible of proof by a projection

of a straight line. If the facts are as stated in the volume before us, then we must admit that the surface of the earth on which we live does curve upward; in other words, is concave.

But those facts we can only accept at present conditionally, while admitting that the methods employed do seem accurate and scientific, and the spirit displayed by Professor Morrow is quite admirable, courting as he does the closest investigation of his methods.

But the Koreshan theory of Astronomy we cannot accept. It seems to us to rest on the statement of Dr. Cyrus R. Teed alone, except that part of it which relates to the concavity of the earth's surface which may have been demonstrated; but even on that point we wait for more light. We know that no theory can stand which is not built on facts, and we wait the final result with a calm confidence that the Copernican system, which has stood the test of several centuries, cannot be overthrown. Everyone should read the work and judge for himself.—*The Good Citizen*, Chicago.

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### Don't Wait Until It's Too Late.

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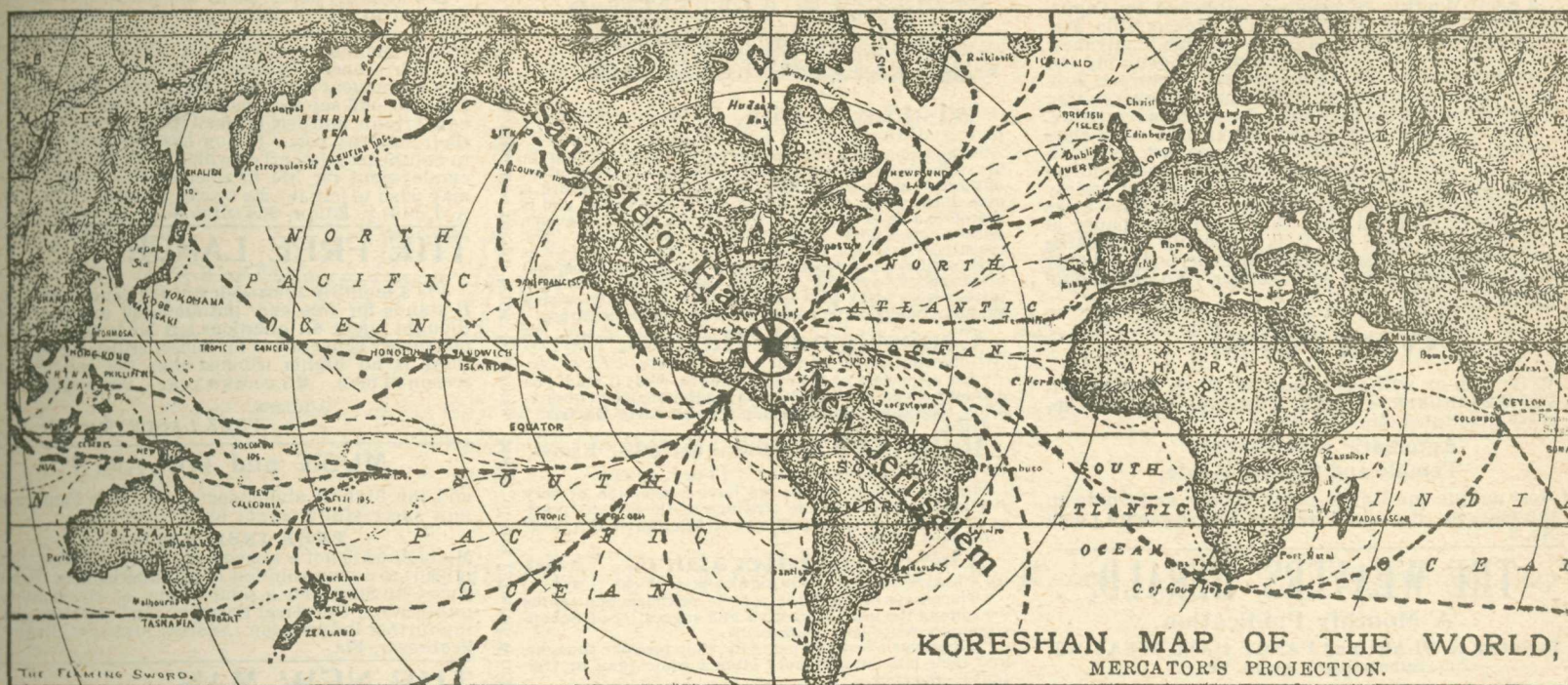
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- Anniversary of destruction of battleship Maine.
- Philippine insurgents plan to continue the war against America.
- Anarchy and rebellion prevail in Samoan islands.

Thursday.

- Joint Canadian-American commission dispute over Alaskan boundary.
- Sultan of Turkey hurrying troops into Macedonia; Bulgaria alarmed, and asks help of Russia.
- Church fight in England interests Catholic headquarters.
- Sweeping anti-trust bill introduced in Michigan legislature.

Friday.

- Lord Charles Beresford, of England, visits Chicago in interest of English trade in China.
- McKinley visits Boston; makes declaration that Filipinos must succumb to American rule.
- M. Faure, president of France, dies suddenly at Paris.
- Captains of destroyed Spanish vessels to be court-martialed in Spain.

Saturday.

- Plumbers form a \$50,000,000 trust.
- Senators fighting over standing army bill.
- Skirmishes continue in suburbs of Manila; outposts of American army attacked; insurgents repulsed with loss of 50.
- Serious outbreak in Roumania; landowners flee from home; rioters burn a number of castles and ransack homes.

Sunday.

- M. Loubet reported elected new president of France; revolutionists planning to overthrow the republic.

Army board of inquiry to make thorough investigation of the beef scandal.  
English parliament evading the paramount religious question.

Monday.

- McKinley urging republican senators to stand by army bill; will not allow compromise; hopes to win.
- Riots and disorder in Paris; new president unpopular; opposed by the anti-Dreyfus factions.
- Victor Napoleon wants to overthrow French republic.
- Belgium raising an army to fight natives of Congo, Africa.
- Russian soldiers massacre 300 Chinamen at Tallen-Wan; disputes over taxes; on par with action of Turkish Khurds in Armenia.

Tuesday.

- Appropriations of present Congress will aggregate the enormous sum of \$1,725,000,000.
- Heat and vigilant defense of suburbs of Manila, wearying U. S. soldiers.
- Armour gives \$750,000 to Armour Institute, Chicago.
- Spaniards clamoring for execution of Generals surrendering to America.
- Factions quieting down in France.

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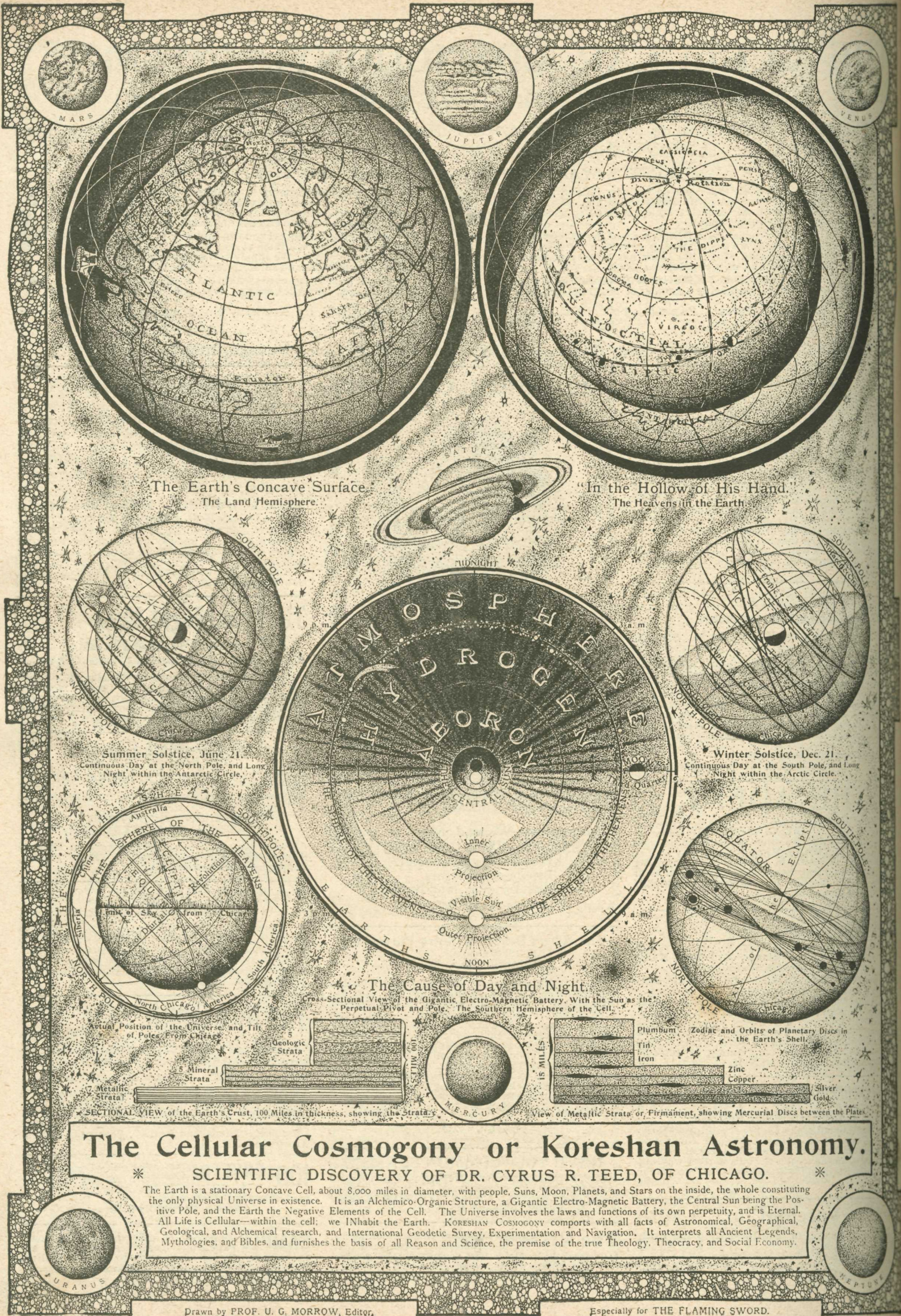
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